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Lost, Strayed, but not Stolen

One absolutely good Old Gray Mule (male). Disappeared from Clayton about two weeks ago. Branded in forehead with mark of the "jimmy." About 50 or 60 years old, weight about 130 pounds, dilapidated but a good Old Gray Mule for the fix he is in. Recognizes the name of "jimmy" and goes loco at the mention of pie. La Union del Pueblo, Clayton, N. M., will pay liberal reward for information leading to the recovery of this ancient animal. Adv. 45-41.

The Kaiser lost a grand opportunity to bestow an iron cross. The horse that threw King George was certainly entitled to one.

We can't make the old story new, but we can reiterate that the "jimmy" is forlorn and wears a deserted look. The "jimmy's" defender has "vamoosed" with about everything except the official figures in the Blue Book. 284 votes is considerable but not near as much as the good people of Union county will give the next anti-jimmy nominee. Remember the jimmy and swat it hard. The jimmy defender and legal bird scavenger doesn't need defending—he's dead already. We publish the above in a humanitarian cause in the hope of resuscitating Editor Miera's "egotistical ass."

A prominent gentleman and one who should be our good friend, sent his little boy to the shop this week with the message to discontinue The News to his address. The News has been discontinued, but we are willing to bet dollars to doughnuts that it doesn't close up next week on account of said defection. It might be pertinent to remark that said quitter owes us \$3.00 back subscription and forgot to send it by his little boy. Of course that was an oversight.

Not Real Americanism

Herman Ridder, who died in New York Monday, was a man of much more than ordinary ability. It was to this extraordinary ability that, largely and perhaps chiefly, he owed his rise to eminence in the business, social and political senses. But also he owed them largely to the genius of this country. He was of German parentage, but of American birth. Had he been of German birth and spent his life in Germany, the positions of eminence to which he climbed would have been beyond his attainment. Along with his abilities he inherited from his German parentage also poverty and social obscurity, and in Germany these would have been a handicap which his talent could not have overcome in anything like the degree to which he overcame them in this country. In Germany Herman Ridder would have been doomed to social and political obscurity, despite his abilities, nor could he have reasonably hoped to advance to the high place in the business world which he occupied in this country at the time of his death. It was infinitely the good fortune of Herman Ridder that he was born in a country which offered opportunity for the full and free play of his extraordinary powers.

His case is in many senses typical of many thousands of cases. It was typical in that, like many thousands of others, he owed much of his prosperity and happiness to the genius of America, and conditions radically different from those that obtain in the Fatherland of his parents. And it is typical in the further sense that he did not show full appreciation of what he owed to the genius of America. For if Herman Ridder was not half American and half German, neither was he quite altogether American. Had circumstances confronted him with the alternative of putting on a German or an American uniform, he would have chosen the American uniform without hesitation. But his American patriotism was not of

that intense degree which begets a prejudice which renders it easy to resolve all intellectual doubts in favor of his own country. He made this clear frequently, and, indeed, without exception. In every one of the many controversies that have arisen lately between this country and Germany, Herman Ridder has been found arguing the case of Germany, and usually in a temper of bitterness toward the authorities in this country, that was not exceeded by the journalists of Berlin. It may be readily admitted that he was sincere in his assumption of all these attitudes. But the very fact of his sincerity proves the lack of that national prejudice and passion that make the very essence of patriotism. Hence the reason for saying that Herman Ridder did not show a full appreciation of his citizenship. —Dallas News.

\$10 Reward

Lost, two cows, one black, hind feet white, branded Diamond Bar on right hip, right ear cropped. Other red and white spotted T Bar on right side. Notify Ben Morrow, Tate, N. M. 45-41.

Hon. Serapio Miera of near Beenhams, the good citizen who beat his republican opponent 284 votes in the legislative election and then was unseated by the rotten majority, was a visitor in the county seat Thursday and Friday.

Ten Reasons for Preparedness

Commodore J. Stuart Blackton, author of the photo play "The Battle Cry of Peace," and leader of the "preparedness" movement in the United States, has evolved ten reasons why the United States should prepare for war. They are:

1. Because the preservation of our country, our liberty and our homes demand it.
2. Because by preparing now we will save our mothers, sisters, wives and daughters untold shame and suffering.
3. Because geographically we are no longer inaccessible to foreign countries. Progress has reduced the Atlantic and Pacific oceans to one-half the size of Lake Michigan.
4. Because every American citizen is strictly accountable to his government in time of need.
5. Because every sane, conscientious human being is against War and for Peace—and preparedness makes for peace.
6. Because, as a peaceful nation, we must not only be champions of peace and the laws of humanity, but we must have the power to enforce these laws—the power to insure that peace.
7. Because not to be prepared is to send our sons and brothers and friends to certain slaughter as "cannon fodder."
8. Because to prepare half-heartedly is like saying "God bless you—to a certain extent."
9. Because preparedness is a "call to arms against war."
10. Because the way to spell peace is by the good, new, phonetic way, p-o-w-e-r.

Notice

Persons having ordered tickets for the Lyceum Course should at once secure seats at the Clayton Drug Store.

Those who have subscribed will be expected to pay. The longer you delay ordering your seat the less desirable seat you will be likely to get. Attend to this matter at once. J. W. Thompson.

School Notes

Golda Rowan has been seriously sick with typhoid, but is now much better.

The board is having measurements taken of several rooms, as they contemplate having them calcimined or painted.

The following are some of the new pupils entering the high school: Clarina Long, Mary Barton, and Greba Robar. They have been in attendance in the country schools or at the Anistad academy. A banquet was given last night, Friday, by the pupils and teachers of

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the schools. We regret that a few of the teachers and pupils cannot be here on account of having to go to the country.

If you, the parent, find that the grades of your child are low you may look for the reason in the fact that he or she does not spend enough time in study. Two hours

out of school in studies should ordinarily be enough. Some parents expect their children to make their grades on attendance of sixteen days in a month. This is impossible. See to it that your children are in school every day. You owe them that much. You owe it to them and to yourself to keep them off the

streets at night.

The schools are now in fine working condition, better than ever before, and we want them still better. They can be made so if everyone will work to the interest of the schools.

J. W. Thompson,
Superintendent.